

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARKS OFFICE PATENT APPLICATION

Response

Re:

DEL NIN, LOU F.

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Examiner: Christopher Boswell

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To:

Christopher J. Boswell (Examiner)

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed September 2, 2003 which has been made non-final.

More specifically, the decision has been made not to file suggested terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a non-statutory double-patenting ground.

Rather, the applicant instead submits the following argument under the heading "Remarks" pointing out respectful disagreement with the examiner's contentions, discussing references applied against the amended claims filed August 25, 2003, and otherwise explaining how the claims avoid the references and/or distinguish from them.

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